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WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 5, 1862.

#### Gas Meeting.

the Newbern Gas Company was held at the Gaston House, Confederate Hall, on Monday night, 3rd inst., when, on ascertaining that a majority of the stock was represented, the ted inducements for piratical warfare, yet but about robbery, and private property, tion cannot justly be regarded by the other meeting was organized by calling A. T. Jer- few of our misguided countrymen have prostitu- and peaceful commerce, and lawful pursuits? kins, Esq., to the chair and Geo. Allen, Esq., to the Secretary's table.

Committee appointed to audit the accounts | vigilant naval forces. of the Secretary and Treasurer made their recharged.

The Secretary and Treasurer, E. R. Stanly, Esq., then made a statement of the condition of the Company for the past twelve months, surplus of over 5 per cent.

Mr. E. R. Stanly, who had acted as President, Secretary and Treasurer from the com- craft as far as Marahan. mencement of the Company to the present time, at the close of a brief statement of the condition of the Company, &c., &c., requested without license from any recognized or acknowl- is bearing down upon the sunny fields of the that he should not again be put in nomination the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens, I regret (while Mr. Welles is singing his hypocritical the robbery and plunder of our citizens). or voted for, for any office connected with the to say this vessel has been received and her song) sets all the rules of civilized warfare at de- them by the 21,000,000 of the North. Inch by

The office of President, Secretary and Treasurer heretofore having been concentered in one person, it was resolved to make that of President a distinct office. An election was then dred dollars.

Carmer, Geo Allen, E, Cuthbert, J. D. Flanner blinded by their venom against the South that and Wm. H. Oliver, when the meeting adjourned

books of the company which we were able a privateer. He knows batter than this. He to make and from what we have been able letter of marque, and that I am cruising under to learn from the stockholders, the financial no such letter. He knows that I have been reg condition of the company is very satisfactory. which, if properly managed in the future may insist upon calling the citizens of the Confeder possibly get better, as the salleries have been ate States 'Rebels,' under the idea that those considerably cut down. It is due to Mr. Stanenjoyed as a business man and financier, has the American colonies commissioned by the universal burst of joy throughout the island. protract it further. If it causes such losses in the been fully sustained by the Committees appointed to investigate the administrative details of his various offices.

vention of Railroad Officers of the Confederate States takes place at Richmond Va., to take into consideration the subject of establishing extensive factories for the manufactory of Railroad iron and for other purposes. This is pursuit of me, and that the commanper of made the subject of paragraphs. There is no bring no tears? Had the same spectacle of conan important move and the Convention should be largely attended. No doubt the coalfields and iron regions of North Carolina will be discussed and probably a branch of the works established in our State.

We publish this morning, the letter of Capt. SEMMES the gallant commander of the Confederate war ship Sumter, of whose exploits upon has been such a terror to the Yankees.

This letter was addressed by him to the London Times from Cadiz, on the 9th Jan., and published in that paper on the 17th, since which time it has been published in the North- of naval action," confined to a predatory warern papers and thus found its way South,

Read it! It's interesting.

## THE CONVENTION.

general interest, were a resolution of Mr. Ray- shore of Brazil, by the gallant Porter, who sions of humanity. A dilligent use of this bad ling Green, which states that the remains of Gen. whole mercantile marine, now armed, of the ner to inquire into the expediency of abolish- probably for this feat-so little material has made them what they are, and Zolicoffor and Balie Peyton, Jr, were received ing the Council of State; a resolution of Mr. Mr. Welles for heroes—will be made a 'flag in through the internal mas resolution of Mr. Welles for heroes—will be made a 'flag in through the internal made a proposing that after the Council of State; a resolution of Mr. Welles for heroes—will be made a 'flag in through the internal made a proposing that after the Council of State; a resolution of Mr. Welles for heroes—will be made a 'flag in through the internal made a proposing that after the council of State; a resolution of Mr. Welles for heroes—will be made a 'flag in through the internal made a 'flag in through through the interna rention would entertain no new propositions I feel honored to have been pursured by six England that they come here in their present escort. Bagley, proposing that after that day the Con- officer." established on the funds and faith of the State to say that the officer would not dare to find own negroes, and, had that been the object of with a capital of five millions, was made the me. and gave way to a motion to adjourn.

day, Friday .- Standard.

LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SEMMES OF THE as France is abundantly able to take care of contains the following unanswerable arguments king to their legs, leaving two of their number SUMTER.

(From the London Times of the 17th of Jan ] TO THE EDFFOR OF THE TIMES:

columns, to say a word to the civilized world, in and liberated a fourth, only because she had defence of my ship, against the scurrillous and an English cargo on board, he will probably cowardly attack made upon her by Mr. Gideon send six mere of his doughty war ship after should, without delay, recognize the independ-Welles, who is just now the Secretary of the me-that is to say, if he can spare them from Northern fragment of what was formerly known as the United States of America. That gentle-children along our Southern coast. He will have to be recognized is inevitable. The questhe high official position which he occupies,) used the following language in his recent annual

mains of the old Confederacy :vail in regard to armed cruisers commissioned | What can wise Mr. Welles mean when he ob-

port, through their Chairman, A. T. Jerkins, sunk. with the exception of one, the steamer which they have distinguished themselves re- nizing de facto Governments, even before the Esq., which was accepted and committee dis. Sumter, which by some fatality was permitted to frained from the capture of private property ! pass the Brooklyn, then blockading one of the I saw recently in a Yankee paper an account pendence. This fact, that other such Governpasses of the Mississippi, and after a brief and of a wood sloop-that is, a sloop loaded with firefeeble chase by the latter was allowed to proceed | wood-having been most gallantly captured and on her piratical voyage. An investigation of burn, the other day, on the Potomac, and a numthis whole occurrence was ordered by the De- ber of other small craft, belonging to the poor partment. Soon the Niagara and the Powhattan, people along the coast, have been captured from which shows a profit of 13 per cent. and a from the Gulf Squadron, followed in vigorous time to time, and sent to Yankeedom for adjudicpursuit, the latter, though long in commission. tion Even fishermen have been subjected to the State and manages its own concerns, and

> points and periods. A though a piratical rover, fact is, that this Northern horde of Alani, which edged Government, and avowedly engaged in South, in imitation of the ancient prototypes, has successfully for 9 months against all the arma-Consuls, by public authorities in many foreign as well as the sea. ports where her character was well known."

tors for the ensuing year : Wm. Hollister, J. W. these officers of the defunct Federal Union are so Wells and his scurillous report. they have no longer the power to distinguish be-

Mr. Welles, also, in imitation of the dirty and From the slight examination of the mendacious press of the Yankee States, calls me knows that a privateer is a vessel that hears a ularly commissioned as a ship of war of the Confederate States. If he and his deluded associates States still form a part of the old Yankee concern, Virginian, George Washington.

gress that, by "some fatality," I ran the block- breath in token of satisfaction. ade of New Crleans, and that he has ordered the whole affair to be investigated. With the RAILROAD CONVENTION .- To-day the Con- blind rage of a baffled madman (quem Deus vult perdere, &c.,) Le will, no doubt, endeavor to crush the harmless and moffensive com lowing: mander of the Brooklyn, who, poor man, no doubt did his best. He says, also, that he has trious visitors? Of course, they will be starhad six of his larget and fastest steamers in ed at, and followed, and photographed, and of one them was so energetic as to perform help for that. Mr. Thomas Sayers cannot walk the wonderful teat of tracking me as far as Ma- the streets with a friend, or ask the mayor for | -had some exotic race, some tribe of Hindoos, ranham, in Brazil.

-the officer being in command o'a heavy frigate-which called forth the panegyric of the Confederate Commissioners. Messrs. Mason country! what fervid orations and To pecans, Yankee Navy which we find in a subsequent part or Mr. Welles' report, for after not so handsome and graceful as their country- platform, what passionate emotions in the clospraising his clerks this officer goes on to remark :- "To the patriotic officers of the Navy. and the brave men who, in various scenes of the high seas we have heard so much, and who naval action, had served under them, the Department and the Government justly owe ance of the minority that prefers at least a res- North, and assist to bring to an end this war vessels of war were unable to compete with an acknowledgement even more earnest and emphatic than that which they owe to his away its confidence and applause, we may as reason why we most wish that the step should England with the continental nations, and in

fare on the Potomac river, directed chiefly against women and children; to the capture of a sand bag battery at Hatteras; to the masterly movement of the great Dupunt, the "greatest naval commander of the age," in The proceedings of Wednesday and Thurs- Yankee hyperbole, who not only knows how and disorders the policy of the Union. The day are excluded to day, by the pressure of to use gunpowder, but, with Yadkee thrift, to hatred of the country has been their stock in turn an honest penny by selling it to the Gov- trade. On this they have earned their politiresolutions were presented. Those of most ratical Sumter, away ever so far, even to the there are others who pender to the lower pas- A dispatch was recived here to night from Bow

other than those relating the Constitutional frigates, and one of them caught Messrs. Maamendments; a resolution by Mr. Smith, of son and Slidell instead of catching me, why So we do sincerely hope that our country- The Legislature took a recess for the day. The ciently armed, to ships of war. The introduc-Johnson, inquiring of the Banks of the State that is John Ball's affair, and not mine. But men will not give these fellows anything in whether they will continue to receive State I am fleeing from these ships says Mr. the shape of an ovation. The civility that is Treasury notes on deposite, and if not, re- Welles. Soft, Mr. Welles! He would due to a foe in distress is all that they can commending the repeal of the act exempting have me, I suppose, fall into the claim. What they and their secretaries are to them from the penalty for failing to redeem Yankee trap he has set for me, and rush to the do here passes our conjecture. They are pertheir notes in specie, &c; and a resolution by encounter of his six frigates, the least of which sonally nothing to us. They must not sup-Mr. Mitchell, enquiring into the past and is twice the size of my weight of metal. He pose, because we have come to the very verge prospective military expenses of the State. - dares not send a ship of equal force to meet of a great war to rescue them, that, therefore, The resolution of Mr. Woodfin, declaring it to me, and if he did dare do, being safely en- they are precious in our eyes. We should be the sense of the Convention that a Bank be sconced himself in his armed chair, I venture have done just as much to rescue two of 'heir

special order for 12 o'clock on Monday next .- But I have to inform Mr. Welles that by would have had just the same right to triumph-The special order at 11 o'clock, the ordinance "some fatality" I have run another blockade. al arches and municipal addresses as Messrs. to create the office of Lieutenant Governor, I have recently steamed out of the port of Mason and Slidell. So, please British public, was postponed until Friday. The ordinance St. Pierre, in the Island of Martinique, in the let's have none of these things. Let the Com- and gallant little affair that occurred a few to encourage the mining and manufacturing of face of one of the fastest and finest of his Yansalt in the interior of the State, after some kee ships, the Iroquois, and which is more their say with anybody who may have time to as soldiers succeeded in putting to flight a amendments, passed its second and third read- than twice my force. Poor Captain Palmer! listen to them. For our part, we cannot see body of fifty or sixty Yankees. It appears by riddled by the fire of the fortifications, and is understood, that Mr. DeBebian is not to enings. The rest of the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the how anything they have been for that a detachment of men, who have been for that a detachment of men, who have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the how anything they have to tell can turn the that a detachment of men, who have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the how anything they have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the low anything they have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the low anything they have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the low anything they have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too, will be immolated on the low anything they have been for the session was consumed I fear that he, too the session was consumed I fear that he went to the session wa in the consideration of Mr. Badger's ordinance altar of the "Universal Yankee Nation," be- scale of British duty and deliberation. There some time employed as scouts beyond the bay, to repeal portions of the stay law. Mr. Bad- cause he did not catch the Sumter, though have been so many cases of peoples and na- had, for a few nights, occupied as quarters a ger addressed the Convention at some length, from all we can learn he had fits on the occasion. This honorable captain is indeed a fit compelling the recognition of the world, that known as the "Lee House." A few nights On Thursday, after the morning business representative of the honor of Yankee doodle- all we have to do is what we have done before, ago, the house was surrounded and fired upon was disposed of, Mr. Badger resumed the floor, dom, for he violated the sovereignty of France up to the very last year. This is now a simand concluded his argument in opposition to and his own solemn pledge at the same time, the star law in the st the Stay law. He was followed by Mr. Satterth- given to the commanding French and naval waite. Ucl. Brywn and W. W. Satterth- given to the commanding French and are in no need stay law. He was followed by Mr. Satterth- given to the commanding French and naval lawyers know quite as much on the subject as lawyers know quite as much on t waite, Col. Brown and Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights, conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. At the officer present, by causing blue lights, (brought lights) and lights are conclusion of Mr. Woodfin. conclusion of Mr. Woodfin's remarks, on mo- all the way, no doubt, from New London, Con- of their information or advice. tion of Mr. Graham, the Convention adjourned. necticut,) to be burned on board a Yankee BRIGHT HOPES FOR THE SOUTH DAWNING-THE the Yankee officers essayed, by threats and duties. The subject will probably be disposed of to schooner in the harbor, to signal to him my departure. But I only allude to this en passant,

her own honor-"If the Universal Yankes nation-

Can whip all creation! When Mr. Welles learns, too, that on my Sir-Permit me, through the medium of your way hither I burnt three more Yankee ships, man (for by courtesy I must call him such, from take especial care, too, to put plenty of men and guns on board of them, for otherwise I might not be in "such constant flight to escape Wheaton, Cooke, Vattal and all internationa report to the President and Congress of what rethe avenging power of our vigilant naval force." "It was natural that apprehension should pre- A word or two more, and I shall have done.

ted themselves to the purpose of plunder, though If Mr. Wells would give me an opportunity of thereto invited, and those few have been in con- captbring some of his public property, I would stant flight to escape the avenging power of our be much obligdd to him. But he takes very good care not to ido this, by sending his heav-Such of these cruisers as eluded the blockade lest ships after me, and have the Yankee naval

The closing paragraph of the above elegant upon all the cotton he could find at Beanfort -- a has taken the field. They are in a better po- Hall tonight. extract from an American State paper seem to few bales only, as it happened -- and, first and sition now than they were when they comshow that, although it was penned ostensibly last, many brilliant achievments in the way of against myself, it was in fact, levelled at those stealing negroes and robbing and burning prihad, when A. T. Jerkins, Esq., was elected European Powers which had acknowledged the vate residences have been accompished by these President of the Company for one year; salary, Confederate State to be lawful beligerents in the Northmen amid the "various scenes of naval acwar which had been forced upon them. On no tion" in wich they have flourisheg. But I grow selves a separate nation, and a separate ration of the row. one hundred dollars, and T. J. Mitchell, Esq., other supposition could t charge me with "rob | tired of the subject. and I fear I have already | they have resolved to be henceforth. We do not Sectreary and Treasurer; salary, four hun- bery" on the high seas, and with being a pirati- trespassed too much up n your space and pa- speak of the merits of the quarrel, but only of cal rover." A pirate is hostis humani generis, and tience I am reminded, too, of the ol! adago, the attitude of the combatants and the prosmay be seized and summarily dealt with by any that "He who meddles with pitch shall be de pects of the strife. The following gentlemen were elected Direc- and all the nations of the earth; but the fact is filed." and so I will take leave of Mr. Gideon

Commander C. S. Navy. C. S. Steamer Sumter, Cadiz, Jan. 9.

## LATEST EUROPEAN NEWS.

DEMONSTRATIONS OF JOY AT THE PROSPECT OF PEACE.

mond Dispatch, is replete with interest to the die, the men of the C. States, will maintain the then he might characterize me as a Rebel man of Southern reader. The intelligence that Mason struggle till their enemies are exhausted by their ly to say, that the reputation he has hitherto war. But if I am this, so were all the ships of and Shdell had been surrendered, caused a efforts and desist from their utter powerlessness to In Manchester the bells were rung, and every-Mr. Welles tells the Prosident and Con- where the people seem to have taken a long what must be the silent pain, the untold agony,

AND SLIDELL.

How, then, are we to receive these illuspermission to put up a booth in a market Chinamen, red Indians, or South Sea Islanders, This, I suppose, is one of those daring acts place, but the crowd immediately conclude the been the heroes of such a strife, how loud had rough, hard-visaged, ill favored pair to be the been the voice of sympathy from this generous and Slidell, with their two secretaries, though what odes and sonnets, what appeals from the man, Blondin, would certainly fill the crystal et would then have pleaded the cause of the of the conflicts between ships and batteries in Palace if they proposed to address the visitors patriot and the oppressed? Oh! for a James to portray these "scenes are about the most worthless booty it would we desire that this war, which is only kept there was scarcely one exception to this generbe possible to extract from the jaws of the up by the blind obstinacy of the North should American lion. They have long been known be brought to as speedy a close as may be. as the blind and habitual haters and revilers of this country. They have done more than any other men to get up the insane prejudice against England which disgraces the morality is through their life long hatred and abuse of veyed to Nashville to morrow under a military

the rescue, the swarthy Pompey and Cæsar

REGOGNITION OF THE SOUTH. The London Herald, of the 7th January, but to no purpose, the cowardly creatures to and other paval inprovements, accounts for

in favor of Southern recognition : We do not desire, by any attempt at persuas-ion or our part, to hurry this Government and

people into a precipitate resolution on so momentous a matter. But the question that lies before us, and one that presses for a speedy answer, is, whether it be right or not that we tion is, whether it should not be done at once? We are left to our free choice in the matter. jurists, have clearly laid this down. Wheaton affirms that, in the case of the revolt of a pro-The annual meeting of the Stockholders of on our commerce. This robbery of merchants and others engaged in peaceful commerce and lawful purnits in the conflict. In the suits?" Does he not know that all property, next place a foreign Government may if it vince, of an empire or State, the first thing for suits by piratical cruisers, is not inconsistent with rare exceptions, captured on the high seas, next place, a foreign Government may, if it with the general conduct of those who have vio- is property belonging to "merchants and others pleases, recognize the indepence of the revolted lated law and moral obligations to gratify inordinate ambition. Our extended commerce presensuits?" Why this senseless distribe, then, amicable relations with it. The mere recognibelligerent party as an occasion of war. The period of recognition is left to the option of the oreign States. But repeated precedentssuch cases as the revolt of the Belgians, the South Americans, the Greeks, the Swiss Canand capture were soon wrecked, beached, or officers in those "scenes of naval action" in tons-have established the practice of recog- and sloppy to night. parent State has chosen to admit their inde- cret. ments have been recognized, without delay, establishes a sort of right to recognition, which | scarce. may very fairly be pressed noon us by the Confederate States. That is, a de facto Government, which possesses all the machinery of and with defective boilers and machinery, under her energetic commander, tracking the piratical craft as far as Marahan.

"The Keystone State, Richmond, Iroqueis, and San Jacinto were also in serrch of her at different points and possible and possible and machinery, under though a piratical same fate—a class exempted by all civilized nations. But I suppose it is only when the vessel is a fine ship of 1,000 tons, belongs to a Yankee, and is captured by the Sumter, that the proper ty becomes private! Astute Mr. Welles! The millions of men, united by their hopes, their fact is that this Northern horde of Alani, which animosities, and their fears, have stood up wants supplied, against the remonstrance of our fiance, and captures private property on the land by inch they have gained it; they have contested their ground, and inch by inch they have won The gallant Dupont laid his unscrupulous hands every battle, and put to flight every army that menced the contest. Every day adds to their and, perhaps, some have been killed. determination to accept no terms, to agree to! The row was not abated at 10 o'clock .-

> flourishing coast towns of the South; it may tilt out its cargoes of stones to choke up the inlets provided for the interchange of amieable relations between peoples by a bounteoes Providence, more merciful than man to man; it may land its armies in the swamps to harry the planters and doe battle with the yellow fever; it may send its steam squadrons down the broad river, and burn Mobile and New Orleans; but all this will not bring it one jot nearer to the end; all this will but add to the fierce intensity of hate which the injured Soniherners will bequeath to the yet unborn. Secure in their stubborn patriotism, in The last news from Europe, says the Rich- their firm resolution to conquer their liberty or North, and necessitates such tremendous sacrifices as the world has never dreamed of before. of the smaller and weaker people that is too proud THE LONDON TIMES ON THE RECEPTION OF MASON to let us hear its cry? Before they ask for foreign aid, the people of the South will waste with famine and sickness-will die and make a desert The Times, of the 11th ult., contains the fol- of the seven fair States that but recently were peopled with a happy and contented race. And is there nothing poetical or romantic in all this?
> Is it because our brethren beyond the seas are for the most part men of the same race as ourselves that their heroism causes us no thrill, sufferings stancy been exhibited by Poles and Hungarians

The North may lay waste, with its fleets, the

TELAGRAPHIC ITEMS.

NASHVILLE, Feb. 1 -The remains of Gen Zol. our conviction of the superiority of land fortifilicoffer reached here to day from Bowling Green. cations, when properly constructed and effibody of the deceased was escorted from the detion of steam and other naval improvements pot by the military, the Governor of the State, has not reversed the relative strength of fortithe officers of State, members of the Legislature, fications and ressels, though it undoubtedly and citizens generally. The remains are now take place to morrow.

## BRIGADIER GENERAL.

Jos. S. Stanton, of this town, has been elected and commissioned as Brigadier-General of the 8th Brigade N. C. Militia, composed of the counties of Edgecombe, Wilson and Nash .-Tur. South.

A BRUSH NEAR THE OCCOQUAN: We have the particulars of a very spirited house. For the full space of tifteen minutes oaths, to make their men force the building; If the application of steam to ships of war passports. Mr. DeRebian has applied to the

dead and one mortally wounded, lying within twenty feet of the house. The house was pep pered with musket balls from cellar to attic: but fortuately, but one of its brave occupants - James Spradling, a Texas volunteer -- was wounded, and that not dangerously .- Rich.

The Richmond Dispatch pays the following merited compliment to the old North State: Since the present war commenced North States in every way, but she has taken good care to see that her sons who obeyed her call and went forth to battle in defence of her the success of the enemy in his two assaults rights, had every assurance that they were not upon inconsiderable earthworks, how is it forgotten by the loved ones at home. Many that the great naval squadrons of England and munificent donations have been heretofore no- France were unable to assail Sebastopol and ted. In this regard she leads the van. With- other Russian scacoast fortifications with any in a week past her citizens have sent \$38,000 success, but came off worsted in every encounworth of clothing, &c., to the 4th, 6th and 23d. ter, whilst Admiral Napier did not even atregiments, and \$13,400 to other regiments not! tempt to cope with Cronstadt? There was named. This is the way the old North State | scarcely a sailing vessel in either of these magfulfills her obligations to her brave sons.

#### FROM RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, Feb. 3. There was snow this morning, and it is cold

Congress continues its sessions in se-

Nothing of interest has transpired. News official or otherwise is exceedingly

CHARLESTON COURIER. CHARLESTON, Feb. 3.

the oldest editor on this continent. He be- Yankee navy, and their fleet of old merchantcame connected with the Courier about the men, patched up for fighting purposes, with commencement of the present century. He was distinguished for his prudence, ener- one particular that gives efficiency to a ship

and was about 84 years aid. ROW IN RICHMOND. RICHMOND, Feb. 3.

There was a general row at the Metropolitan Several persons have been severly wounded

[Written for the Ricmond Dispatch.] The Velunteers to the "Melish." BY WM. C. ESTRES. Come forth ye gallant heroes, Rub up each rusty gun, And face these hireling Yankees, Who live by tap of drum.

We want to rest a little, And then we'll fight "again." We've won some five pitched battles, But will yield you our "polish;" And if you want some glory; Why pitch in now, "Melish" Don't refuse to leave your spouses, Our own are just a dear, And each lonely little woman

We volunteers are wearied,

By twelve months "sojourn;"

Longs for her volunteer. Don't mind your sobbing sweathearts; For though 'tis hard to part, We'll volunteer to chase 'em And console each troubled heart. For the sake of old Virginia, Come and fight! that's if you can, And let your pratiling babies Know their daddy was a man.

For you we've fought and struggled; Had "no furloughs" - nary one-We want a little resting. And so we're coming home. Then forward, bold Militia! "If you're coming, come along," Or, by the Gods! we'll force you out

To your duty-right or wrong Camp near Centreville, Co. H, 1st Va. Reg't.

#### [From the Richmond Dispatch ] SHIPS AND BATTERIES. We gave some months ago a minute history

the great wars of modern times, both in Euthere on the merits of their cause. But, for If it be argued that by recognizing the South- rope and in our own country, from which it apthe benefit of the discriminating-for the guid- ern States we shall weaken the hands of the peared that, in the great majority of cases, pectable idol, and that does not wish to throw of sections, we answer that this is the very strong land fortifications. In all the wars of well observe that Messrs. Mason and Slidell be taken. It is in the interest of humanity that the war of the American Revolution and 1812, al rule. That such does not seem to be the experience of the present war, is attributed by some to the introduction of sickro, and the greater perfection in the mechanical agencies both of the ship and armament, and the more THE REMAINS OF GENERAL ZOLICOF powerful and destructive character of the main a country so assailable by sea as our own, which has no navy, and can only rely upon its an enemy who has the whole navy and the old United States at his command. We confess that we have seen nothing in

> any of the experiences of this war to change and citizens generally. The remains are now requires the former, in order to maintain their YANKEE SPYING COMMISSIONERS NOT take place to marrow. mere earthworks, without bomb proof coverings, which, at Hatteras and Port Poyal, were ly fair illustration of the question which the their spying object, present war has furnished. There the fortifiry art has provided against the descent of De Bebian was arrested last Summer and the former are properly built, provided with at Washington.

#### RATES OF ADVERTISING THE WEEKLY PROGRESS.

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nificent fleets, the equal of which in numbers, guns, and all the equipments and appliances of war, had never before floated upon the waves. The single ship which bore the broad pennant of Admiral Napier, the largest and most powerful war ship in the world, would be more than a match for three of the best ships in the Yankee navy. Every one recol-lects the impression produced upon the public mind of England by the magnificent naval re-view which took place before Admiral Napier sailed for the Baltic, and never did Old Eng-DEATH OF THE PROPRIETOR OF THE land seem more completely mistress of the seas than when that vast seadron of magnifi-cent steamships of war, led by the colossal flag ship of the Admiral, set sail for the enc-A. S. Wellington, the proprietor of the my's waters. It would be ridiculous to com-Courier, died yesterday. He was probably pare the fifty ships of war which comprise the the grand English squadron of Napier in any getic, untiring industry, courteous kindness, in these times; in machinery, guns armament and missiles, crews of gunners; and yet it came back to England without having reduced or even engaged a single Russian fortification. We must evidently look to some other cause than naval improvements for the Yankee successes at Hatteras and Port Royal, and that cause is to be found in the weakness of the fortifications, rather than in the strength of the ships. If Hatterns and Port Royal had been provided with proper defences against the shell and shot of the enemy, the result would have been d fferent, as it will be hereafter, if wo do not neglect the common provisions against naval assault which have elsewhere rendered shore batteries invulnerable.

We do not recollect but one single success which the combined fleets of England and France, both in the baltic and Black seas, achieved during the Russian war. That was the reduction of the fortification of Kimburn by the iron plated vessels introduced by Louis Napoleon. That experiment served to demonstrate the cepacity of vessels sheltered with that metal to resist the fire of the forts. But it is, of course, clear that fortifications sheltered in the same armor would be equally invulnerable by ships of war, and an English period cal has lately argued; that this defence can be provided as readily and even more economically for fortifications than ships,-We earle-tly hope that our Government and engineers will give this subject their prompt and serious attention. We have our choice of Pensacola and Port Royal in future conflicts between fortifications and ships. It is hardly worth while to construct coast and river defences merely as slaughter pens for our brave soldiers, and only to invite the enemy to make an attack in which he has every advantage of assault, and little peril. If we do not wish to build defences merely that they may be taken, and involve in their destruction the loss of both life and prestige, let us construct them upon proper principles, and we shall have no future repetitions of Hatteras and Port

AN INCIDENT IN BALTIMORE.

The more we hear of the outrages of the Yankees in Baltimore, the more assurance we have that the people of that down-trodden city would hail with joy the day of their deliverance. A gentleman who left there very recently furnishes a narration of incidents of of every day occurrence, one of which is sufficient to illustrate this position. A lady, whose brother was known to have participated in a gallant exploit at an early period of the war, and become an object of especial venous among the Yankees, and was consequently narrowly watched. Not long since, while she was passing through the streets, a Federal soldier seized her, and throwing her violently to the payement, tore open the bosom of her dress and took from thence a secession flag. The outrage was observed by an Irishman, who had pradence enough to say nothing at the moment, but followed and watchen the scounterials of war. This is an important subject drel as he bore off his trophy; and on the first convenient opportunity stepped up and ac-On Wednesday a number of ordinances and ernment; and to the pursuit of the pidown an innocent lamale in the strates, ye dirty blackguard ! Take that, and that, and that!" accompanying his vehement expressions with blows of his ponderous fist, nor did e leave the hapless Yankee until he had disguised him to such an extent that his be-t friends would not have recognized him. Of course, the Irishman made himself scarce immediately afterwards, acting upon the rule that self-preservation is the first law of nature, -Rich. Dispatch.

RICHMOND, Feb. 4.

The Yankee Commissioners, Fish and Ames easily reduced by the vigorous shelling of the who have arrived at Fortress Monros, en route ships. The conflict at Pensacola was the on- for the Sauth, will not be allowed to carry out

Mr. DeBebian, a French subject, and a resications were properly censtructed, the men dent of Wilmington, N. C., and Mrs. Kerr were sheltered by those defences which milita- of Savannah, arrived at Norfolk on Sunday.

shells, the guns were of proper range, and Layfayetted. He was released throug the handled by skillfull and practiced guoners. - French Minister, but refused permission to re-The consequence was, that some of the ene- turn to Wilmington. He obtained passports my's most powerful ships of war were perfect- to go to Europe, Seward endorsed on it, "it ing failed to inflict the slightest injury upon Paris, had an interview with Napolean, showed the works of the Confederates, and only killing | Seward's endorsement, who said he should be one or two men. We believe that the result allewed to return to his place of business .-would be the same in every similar engage. The French Minister of foreign affairs prepared ment between shore and floating batteries if the necessary papers for the French minister

ticed to the skillful performance of their French Minister called on Seward and showed the papers and Seward granted him